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State Labor Summary
NORTH CAROLINA

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TOTAL UNADJUSTED EMPLOYMENT GREW OVER THE MONTH: As of mid-May of this year, total employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 2,972,000, an over-the-month increase of 25,400 people (+0.9 percent). North Carolina's seasonally adjusted employment total, however, was estimated to be 2,940,000 in the middle of May, 1986, a noticeable net monthly decline of 6,000 workers (-0.2 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT ROSE SLIGHTLY IN MAY: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated at 824,200 in the middle of May of this year for a monthly gain of 1,300 workers (+0.2 percent). The durable goods segment's employment suffered a small net over-the-month loss of 200 people (-0.1 percent), however, there was no significant industry movement in either direction. Lumber and wood grew by 500 workers (+1.4 percent), due mainly to gains in sawmills and planing mills (+100); millwork, plywood, and structural members (+100); and wood buildings and mobile homes (+100). Stone, clay, and glass added 200 people (+1.0 percent). Both transportation equipment and "other" durable goods fell by 400 persons each over the month. Employment in the nondurable goods segment experienced a net monthly increase of 1,600 workers (+0.3 percent) as two of its industry groups enjoyed significant growth. Employment in food and kindred products was up 500 (+1.1 percent) as meat products added 600, dairy products grew by 100, and beverages increased by 200. Textile mill products saw a worker gain of 1,300 (+0.6 percent) with knitting mills up 1,200 and yarn mills up 600.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASED OVER THE MONTH: Nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 1,893,000 as of mid-May, 1986, a net over-the-month gain of 6,100 workers (+0.3 percent). The largest net monthly increase occurred in the trade sector (+3,800; +0.6 percent), with retail trade specifically adding 4,000 people (+0.9 percent). Employment in the construction industry grew by 3,600 persons (+2.3 percent) over the month. Government employment fell by 2,700 workers (-0.6 percent), as state supported schools experienced the anticipated seasonal cutbacks of 4,500 employees (-6.6 percent).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT ROSE IN MAY: The State's total unemployment estimate (not seasonally adjusted) was 170,800 as of the middle of May of this year, a net monthly increase of 12,400 people (+7.8 percent). Consequently, the unadjusted rate of unemployment climbed from 5.1 percent to 5.4 percent during that time. Seasonally adjusted total unemployment in North Carolina was estimated to be 185,000 as of mid-May, 1986, a net monthly rise of 6,000 people (+3.4 percent). As a result, the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment rose from 5.7 percent to 5.9 percent over the month. The unadjusted rate of unemployment for the nation was 7.0 percent in May and April of this year. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.3 percent in May, 1986, and 7.1 percent in April, 1986.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/

	May, 1986	April, 1986	May, 1985 2/
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)			
Civilian Labor Force	3,142,800	3,105,000	3,084,500
Employment	2,972,000	2,946,600	2,917,600
Unemployment	170,800	158,400	166,900
Unemployment Rate	5.4	5.1	5.4
(Seasonally Adjusted)			
Civilian Labor Force	3,125,000	3,125,000	3,068,000
Employment	2,940,000	2,946,000	2,887,000
Unemployment	185,000	179,000	181,000
Unemployment Rate	5.9	5.7	5.9
National Rate (Unadjusted)	7.0	7.0	7.0
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.3	7.1	7.3

1/ Data compiled by the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.
2/ Revised.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS UP: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production employees rose by 4¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) to $7.53 from the middle of April to the middle of May, 1986. Workers in the durable goods segment received a small increase of 1¢ an hour (+0.1 percent) to rise to $7.76 over the month. Employees in electrical machinery experienced the largest net monthly advance in durable goods, up by 9¢ an hour (+1.0 percent) to $8.84. Lumber and wood products and primary metals tied for second, each enjoying a net over-the-month gain of 6¢ an hour. Employees in the nondurable goods segment saw net monthly growth of 6¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to climb to $7.38 in May, 1986. Tobacco manufacturing workers set the pace in nondurable goods with a net over-the-month increase of 74¢ an hour (+5.2 percent) to jump to $14.89. The rubber sector followed as its employees enjoyed a net monthly gain of 22¢ an hour (+2.4 percent) to hit $9.30 in May of this year. From mid-April to mid-May, 1986, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers rose by $3.12 (+1.0 percent) to $304.97. During that same time period, average weekly hours rose by 0.2 of an hour to 40.5.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASED IN MAY: As of May 31, 1986, there were 184,930 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a net over-the-month rise of 2,201 people (+1.2 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was the twenty-two to thirty-nine sector with 112,033 registered applicants or 60.6 percent of the total. Following was the twenty-one and under age segment with 33,186 or 17.9 percent. The

fifty-five and over age section recorded the fewest active applicants with only 8,998 or 4.9 percent of the total. Females comprised the majority of the active applicants with 51.5 percent or 95,205. Most of the active applicants were white, not Hispanic, with a count of 100,743 or 54.5 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of the end of May of this year.

Statewide Active Applicant File
May 31, 1986

	Number	Percent
Total	184,930	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	33,186	17.9
22 - 39	112,033	60.6
40 - 54	30,713	16.6
55 and Over	8,998	4.9
Sex		
Male	89,725	48.5
Female	95,205	51.5
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	100,743	54.5
Black, not Hispanic	79,240	42.8
Hispanic	1,400	0.8
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,666	1.4
Other Races and Undetermined	881	0.5
Eligible Claimant	71,003	38.4
Veteran	33,271	18.0
Handicapped	12,412	6.7
Welfare	27,771	15.0
Seasonal Farmworker	2,794	1.5

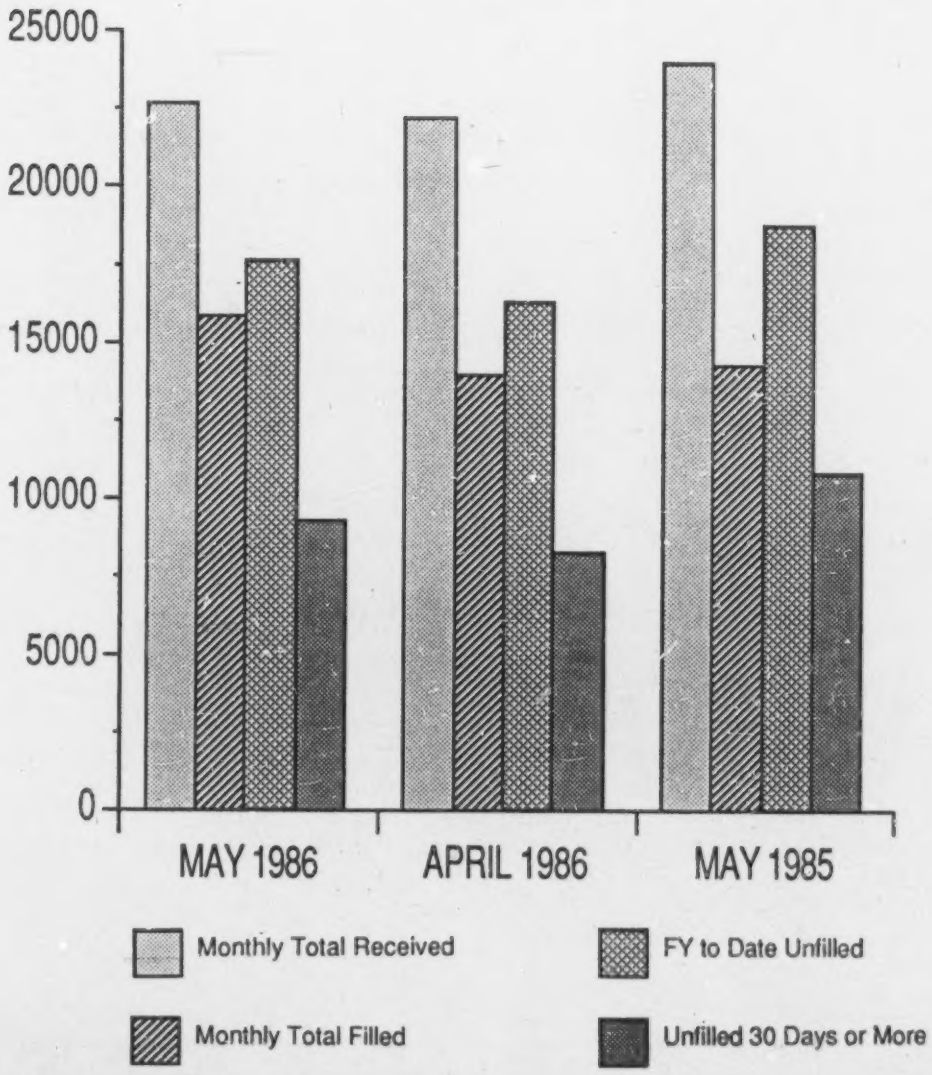
THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS ROSE SLIGHTLY OVER THE MONTH: During May of this year, there were 22,656 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina, a small net monthly gain of 462 (+2.1 percent). Most of those job openings were filled (15,778 or 69.6 percent). Farming, fishing, and forestry was the occupational category with the most job openings received in May of this year, a total of 3,778. A very high percentage of those openings was filled (93.9 percent or 3,548). Job openings received for the service group numbered 3,696, and 2,193 or 59.3 percent of these were filled. The miscellaneous sector followed with 3,039 received and 2,011 or 66.2 percent filled. Processing again had the fewest job openings received with just 800, but most of them were filled (635 or 79.4 percent). There were 235,854 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1985, through May 31, 1986. The majority of those were filled (181,062 or 76.8 percent). There were 17,604 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of the end of May of this year with more than half (9,347 or 53.1 percent) classified as hard-to-fill due to having been on file for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data from the Statewide job openings file for May, 1986, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1985, through May 31, 1986).

Statewide Job Openings Data

Occupation	May, 1986		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) as of May 31, 1986	
	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., and Mgr.	1,009	361	10,027	4,474	1,897	1,225
Clerical	2,868	1,529	27,262	17,458	2,638	1,165
Sales	839	365	9,283	5,103	1,203	713
Service	3,696	2,193	38,765	27,882	3,615	1,929
Domestic	258	196	2,683	2,099	151	89
Other Services	3,438	1,997	36,082	25,783	3,464	1,840
Farm., Fish., and Forest.	3,778	3,548	35,955	34,952	264	135
Processing	800	635	9,330	8,216	365	148
Machine Trades	1,717	1,220	16,943	12,322	1,490	824
Bench Work	2,267	1,758	22,374	19,141	1,556	805
Structural Work	2,643	2,158	32,390	24,139	2,569	1,544
Miscellaneous	3,039	2,011	33,525	27,375	2,007	859
Motor Freight and Transp.	514	293	5,631	3,543	533	301
Pkg. and Mat. Hand.	2,461	1,683	27,115	23,314	1,408	525
Other	64	35	779	518	66	33
Total	22,656	15,778	235,854	181,062	17,604	9,347

1/ July 1, 1985, through May 31, 1986.

NORTH CAROLINA JOB OPENINGS DATA



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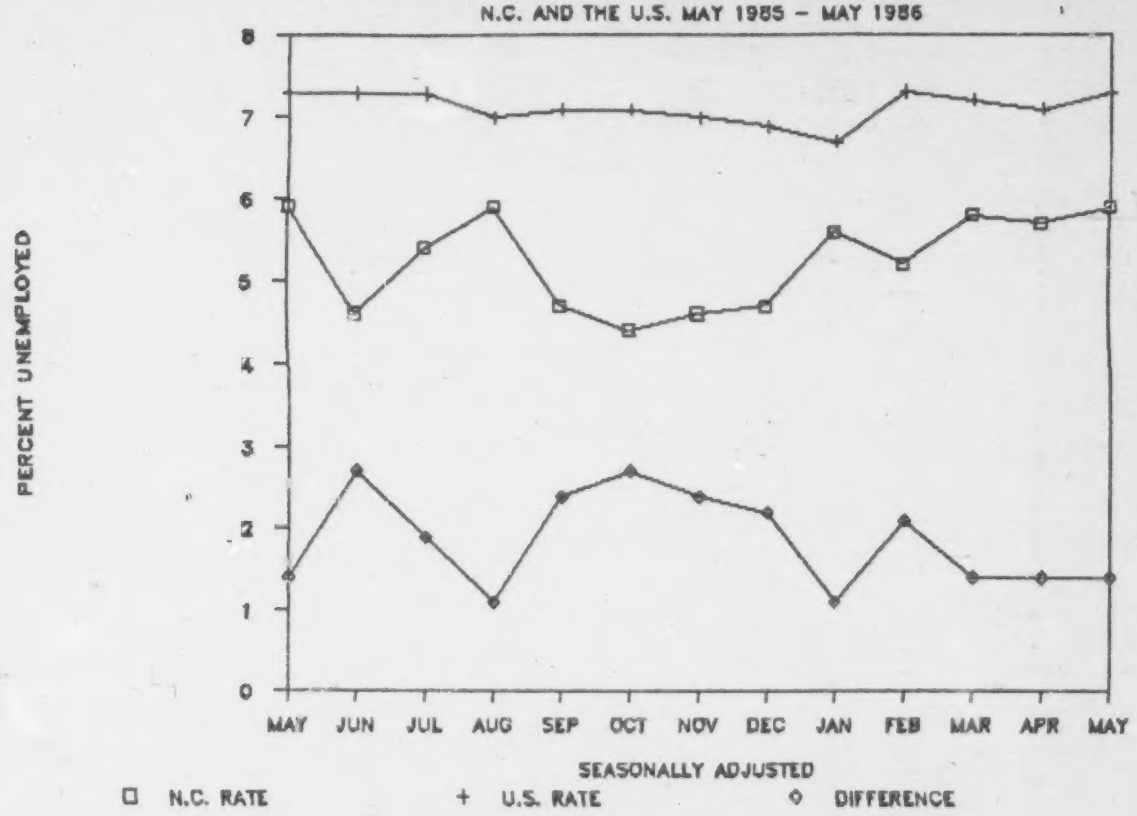

NORTH CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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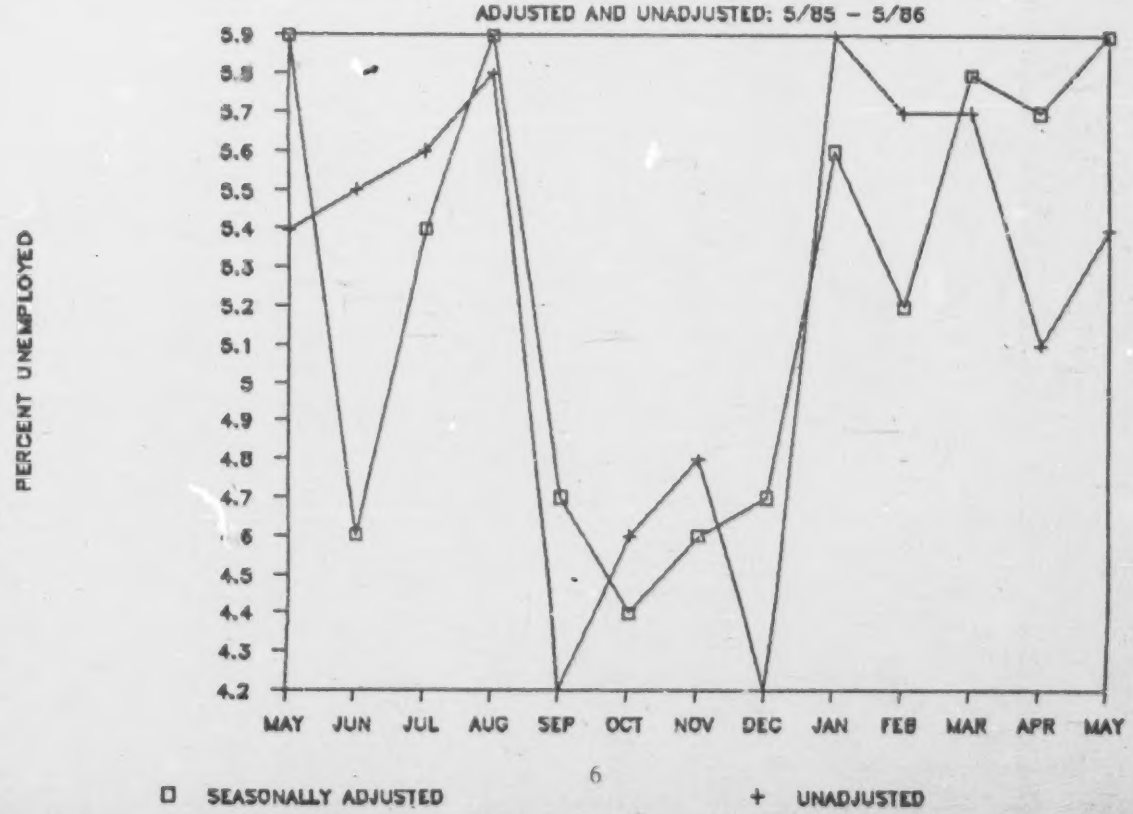
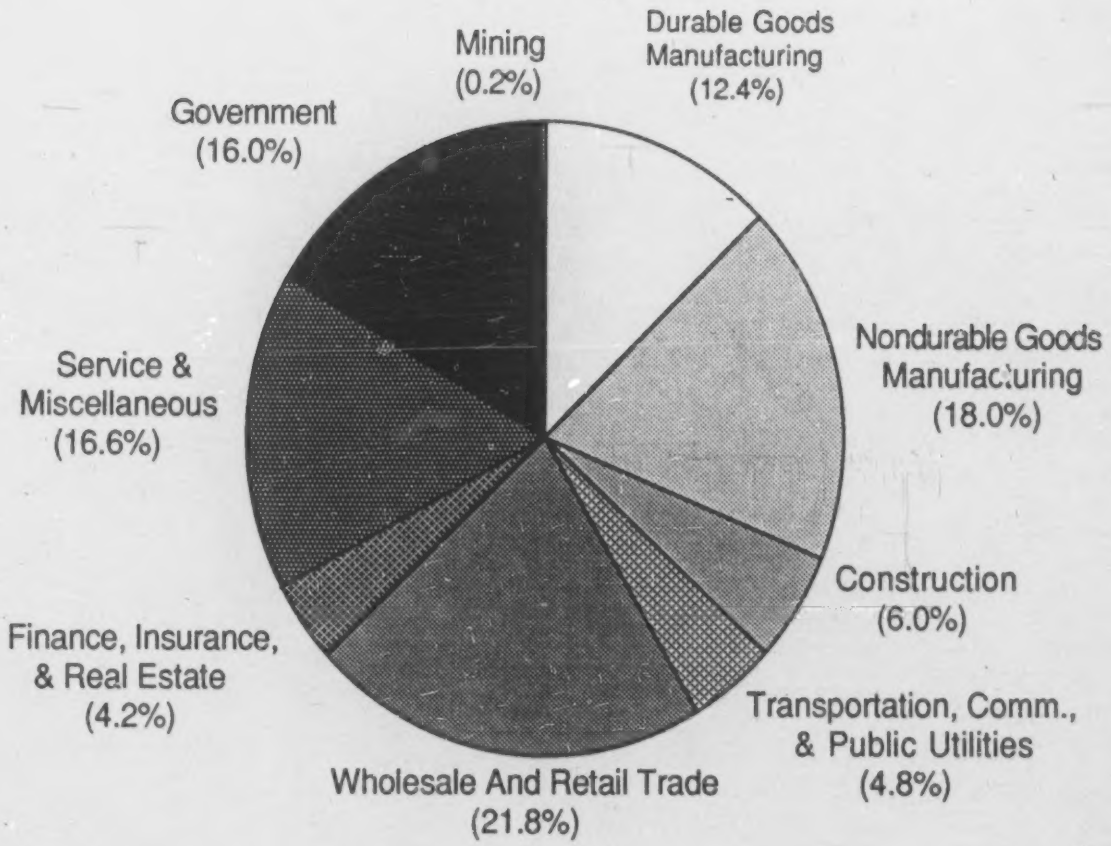


COMPOSITION OF NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN NORTH CAROLINA

MAY 1986

(NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED)



ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/
May, 1986

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1986 (Thous)	April* 1986 (Thous)	May* 1985 (Thous)	April 1986	May 1985
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,717.3	2,709.8	2,645.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.7
MANUFACTURING	824.2	822.9	826.0	+ 0.2	- 0.2
DURABLE GOODS	335.7	335.9	341.7	- 0.1	- 1.8
Lumber & Wood Products	35.9	35.4	36.3	+ 1.4	- 1.1
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.7	11.6	12.6	+ 0.9	- 7.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.6	8.5	8.7	+ 1.2	- 1.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	5.4	5.3	4.9	+ 1.9	+10.2
Furniture & Fixtures	84.5	84.7	84.4	- 0.2	+ 0.1
Household Furniture	74.8	74.9	74.7	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Wood Household Furniture	37.6	37.5	38.0	+ 0.3	- 1.1
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.0	31.1	30.7	- 0.3	+ 1.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	19.6	19.4	19.6	+ 1.0	0
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.6	2.6	0	0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.7	5.7	5.5	0	+ 3.6
Primary Metal Industries	10.6	10.5	10.6	+ 1.0	0
Fabricated Metal Products	26.5	26.4	26.8	+ 0.4	- 1.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.2	8.2	8.5	0	- 3.5
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.5	55.5	57.9	0	- 4.1
Special Industry Machinery	7.1	7.1	7.2	0	- 1.4
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.1	63.2	66.5	- 0.2	- 5.1
Household Appliances	4.4	4.3	5.5	+ 2.3	-20.0
Transportation Equipment	23.5	23.9	23.1	- 1.7	+ 1.7
Other Durable Goods 2/	16.4	16.8	16.5	- 2.4	- 0.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	488.6	487.0	484.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.9
Food & Kindred Products	47.0	46.5	44.3	+ 1.1	+ 6.1
Meat Products	20.6	20.0	18.7	+ 3.0	+10.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.4	2.5	2.4	- 4.0	0
Dairy Products	3.2	3.1	3.0	+ 3.2	+ 6.7
Grain Mill Products	2.3	2.4	2.4	- 4.2	- 4.2
Bakery Products	7.8	7.8	7.7	0	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.0	5.8	5.8	+ 3.4	+ 3.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.7	23.9	24.2	- 0.8	- 2.1
Cigarettes	20.5	20.3	20.5	+ 1.0	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.6	2.9	3.2	-10.3	-18.8
Textile Mill Products	207.6	206.3	208.4	+ 0.6	- 0.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	51.7	52.3	57.5	- 1.1	-10.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.2	27.6	29.7	- 1.4	- 8.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	23.9	24.1	27.2	- 0.8	-12.1
Knitting Mills	77.8	76.6	74.4	+ 1.6	+ 4.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	25.3	25.2	24.3	+ 0.4	+ 4.1
Hosiery, NEC	23.8	23.4	22.8	+ 1.7	+ 4.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.6	13.1	12.5	+ 3.8	+ 8.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.2	6.1	6.1	+ 1.6	+ 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.3	14.3	14.5	0	- 1.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.6	49.0	47.9	+ 1.2	+ 3.5

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OR NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1986

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1986 (Thous)	April* 1986 (Thous)	May* 1985 (Thous)	April 1986	May 1985
Apparel & Other Textile Products	89.6	89.6	86.3	0	+ 3.8
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furn.	31.1	31.0	28.9	+ 0.3	+ 7.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	37.6	37.9	38.0	- 0.8	- 1.1
Paper & Allied Products	22.2	22.2	22.2	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.5	10.6	10.9	- 0.9	- 3.7
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.7	7.7	7.6	0	+ 1.3
Printing & Publishing	27.1	27.2	26.3	- 0.4	+ 3.0
Newspapers	9.8	9.7	9.4	+ 1.0	+ 4.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.5	37.2	37.7	+ 0.8	- 0.5
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.9	12.8	12.9	+ 0.8	0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.5	29.5	30.7	0	- 3.9
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.5	4.3	- 2.2	+ 2.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,893.0	1,886.9	1,819.5	+ 0.3	+ 4.0
MINING	4.7	4.6	4.8	+ 2.2	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	162.4	158.8	149.2	+ 2.3	+ 8.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	131.2	131.0	128.9	+ 0.2	+ 1.8
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	71.1	71.2	69.5	- 0.1	+ 2.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.5	55.2	54.6	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	595.9	592.1	572.1	+ 0.6	+ 4.2
Wholesale Trade	140.3	140.4	136.6	- 0.1	+ 2.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	85.5	85.4	83.1	+ 0.1	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.7	55.0	53.5	- 0.5	+ 2.2
Retail Trade	455.7	451.7	435.6	+ 0.9	+ 4.6
General Merchandise Stores	60.3	59.3	57.1	+ 1.7	+ 5.6
Food Stores	72.4	71.4	70.0	+ 1.4	+ 3.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	114.4	113.5	107.5	+ 0.8	+ 6.4
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	450.0	449.7	426.7	+ 0.1	+ 5.5
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	27.6	27.3	25.5	+ 1.1	+ 8.2
Personal Services	28.3	28.4	26.4	- 0.4	+ 7.2
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.7	11.6	11.3	+ 0.9	+ 3.5
Health Services	113.8	113.1	109.0	+ 0.6	+ 4.4
Hospitals	43.9	43.7	42.8	+ 0.5	+ 2.6
Legal Services	11.0	10.8	9.5	+ 1.9	+15.8
Educational Services	31.2	34.4	32.0	- 9.3	- 2.5
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	434.5	437.2	430.3	- 0.6	+ 1.0
Federal	52.4	52.1	51.4	+ 0.6	+ 1.9
State	124.0	128.4	126.4	- 3.4	- 1.9
Education	64.0	68.5	64.7	- 6.6	- 1.1
Other	59.9	59.9	61.8	0	- 3.1
Local	258.1	256.7	252.5	+ 0.5	+ 2.2
Education	138.3	137.8	137.4	+ 0.4	+ 0.7
Other	119.8	118.9	115.1	+ 0.8	+ 4.1

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.
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MANUFACTURING	826.1	824.9	828.3	+ 0.1	- 0.3
DURABLE GOODS	336.4	336.4	342.9	0	- 1.9
Lumber & Wood Products	35.6	35.6	36.0	0	- 1.1
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.5	11.6	12.4	- 0.9	- 7.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.5	8.5	8.6	0	- 1.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	5.3	5.4	4.8	- 1.9	+10.4
Furniture & Fixtures	84.9	84.3	85.2	+ 0.7	- 0.4
Household Furniture	75.1	74.4	75.0	+ 0.9	+ 0.1
Wood Household Furniture	37.4	37.1	37.8	+ 0.8	- 1.1
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.2	31.2	30.9	0	+ 1.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	19.6	19.6	19.6	0	0
Structural Clay Products	2.5	2.7	2.5	- 7.4	0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.6	5.7	5.4	- 1.8	+ 3.7
Primary Metal Industries	10.6	10.5	10.6	+ 1.0	0
Fabricated Metal Products	26.7	26.6	27.0	+0.4	- 1.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.2	8.3	8.5	- 1.2	- 3.5
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	55.7	55.7	58.1	0	- 4.1
Special Industry Machinery	7.1	7.1	7.2	0	- 1.4
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	63.4	63.7	66.8	- 0.5	- 5.1
Household Appliances	4.5	4.8	5.7	- 6.2	-21.1
Transportation Equipment	23.3	23.6	22.9	- 1.3	+ 1.7
Other Durable Goods 2/	16.6	16.8	16.7	- 1.2	- 0.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	489.7	488.5	485.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.9
Food & Kindred Products	47.4	47.2	44.6	+ 0.4	+ 6.3
Meat Products	20.7	20.2	18.8	+ 2.5	+10.1
Meat Packing Plants	2.4	2.5	2.4	- 4.0	0
Dairy Products	3.2	3.1	3.0	+ 3.2	+ 6.7
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Beverages	5.9	5.9	5.7	0	+ 3.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.6	26.0	26.2	- 1.5	- 2.3
Cigarettes	20.7	20.3	20.7	+ 2.0	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.2	4.9	5.3	-14.3	-20.8
Textile Mill Products	206.6	205.3	207.3	+ 0.6	- 0.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	51.8	52.2	57.6	- 0.8	-10.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton	27.4	27.7	29.9	- 1.1	- 8.4
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	23.7	24.0	27.0	- 1.2	-12.2
Knitting Mills	77.1	76.3	73.8	+ 1.0	+ 4.5
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Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.1	6.0	6.0	+ 1.7	+ 1.7
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.3	14.3	14.5	0	- 1.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	49.3	48.6	47.6	+ 1.4	+ 3.6

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Paper & Allied Products	22.4	22.2	22.4	+ 0.9	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	11.0	- 0.9	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.8	7.8	7.7	0	+ 1.3
Printing & Publishing	27.1	27.0	26.3	+ 0.4	+ 3.0
Newspapers	9.8	9.8	9.4	0	+ 4.3
Chemicals & Allied Products	37.4	37.1	37.6	+ 0.8	- 0.5
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.9	12.7	12.9	+ 1.6	0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.1	29.3	30.3	- 0.7	- 4.0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	4.4	4.5	4.3	- 2.2	+ 2.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,885.5	1,882.9	1,812.6	+ 0.1	+ 4.0
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.7	0	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	160.8	160.9	147.7	- 0.1	+ 8.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	130.9	131.3	128.7	- 0.3	+ 1.7
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	71.0	71.3	69.4	- 0.4	+ 2.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	55.3	55.2	54.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.7
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	597.8	598.0	574.3	-0.03	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	141.6	141.7	138.1	- 0.1	+ 2.5
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	85.6	85.4	83.2	+ 0.2	+ 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	56.0	56.3	54.9	- 0.5	+ 2.0
Retail Trade	456.2	456.3	436.2	-0.02	+ 4.6
General Merchandise Stores	61.7	61.4	58.4	+ 0.5	+ 5.7
Food Stores	72.8	72.1	70.4	+ 0.9	+ 3.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	114.6	114.0	107.7	+ 0.5	+ 6.4
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	450.0	447.9	426.5	+ 0.5	+ 5.5
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	27.0	27.9	25.0	- 3.2	+ 8.0
Personal Services	28.4	27.8	26.5	+ 2.2	+ 7.2
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.7	11.6	11.3	+ 0.9	+ 3.5
Health Services	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Hospitals	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Legal Services	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Educational Services	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	426.8	426.2	423.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.9
Federal	52.2	52.3	51.2	- 0.2	+ 2.0
State	124.4	124.3	127.3	+ 0.1	- 2.3
Education	65.0	64.1	65.8	+ 1.4	- 1.2
Other	59.4	60.2	61.3	- 1.3	- 3.1
Local	250.2	249.6	244.5	+ 0.2	+ 2.3
Education	129.9	129.5	129.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.7
Other	120.3	120.1	115.5	+ 0.2	+ 4.2

1/ Current month data are preliminary. * Revised.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.
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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1986

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1986	April* 1986	May* 1985	April 1986	May 1985
MANUFACTURING	652.5	651.7	653.9	+ 0.1	- 0.2
DURABLE GOODS	253.7	254.0	257.8	- 0.1	- 1.6
Lumber & Wood Products	30.7	30.3	31.1	+ 1.3	- 1.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.5	7.4	7.6	+ 1.4	- 1.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.5	4.4	3.9	+ 2.3	+15.4
Furniture & Fixtures	74.5	74.6	75.0	- 0.1	- 0.7
Household Furniture	66.5	66.6	67.0	- 0.2	- 0.7
Wood Household Furniture	34.4	34.3	35.0	+ 0.3	- 1.7
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.9	15.7	16.1	+ 1.3	- 1.2
Structural Clay Products	2.1	2.1	2.1	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	7.9	7.8	7.9	+ 1.3	0
Fabricated Metal Products	19.8	19.7	20.0	+ 0.5	- 1.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	28.5	28.4	27.9	+ 0.4	+ 2.2
Special Industry Machinery	4.8	4.8	4.9	0	- 2.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	45.3	45.3	48.3	0	- 6.2
Household Appliances	3.7	3.6	4.9	+ 2.8	+24.5
Transportation Equipment	18.8	19.3	18.7	- 2.6	+ 0.5
NONDURABLE GOODS	398.8	397.7	396.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.7
Food & Kindred Products	33.3	32.9	30.7	+ 1.2	+ 8.5
Meat Products	18.4	17.8	16.5	+ 3.4	+11.5
Meat Packing	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
Dairy Products	1.6	1.6	1.5	0	+ 6.7
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.6	0	+ 6.2
Bakery Products	4.3	4.4	4.3	- 2.3	0
Beverages	2.5	2.4	2.3	+ 4.2	+ 8.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.8	18.1	18.8	- 1.7	- 5.3
Cigarettes	15.8	15.9	16.2	- 0.6	- 2.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.5	1.7	2.2	-11.8	-31.8
Textile Mill Products	183.5	182.3	184.4	+ 0.7	- 0.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	45.6	46.2	50.8	- 1.3	-10.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.8	24.2	26.1	- 1.7	- 8.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	21.3	21.5	24.3	- 0.9	-12.3
Knitting Mills	69.0	67.9	65.8	+ 1.6	+ 4.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.8	22.6	21.8	+ 0.9	+ 4.6
Hosiery, NEC	21.4	21.1	20.8	+ 1.4	+ 2.9
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	11.7	11.1	10.6	+ 5.4	+10.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.5	5.4	5.3	+ 1.9	+ 3.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.0	12.0	12.2	0	- 1.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	45.0	44.5	43.8	+ 1.1	+ 2.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.6	78.6	75.9	0	+ 3.6
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	27.2	27.2	26.0	0	+ 4.6
Women's & Children's Garments	32.9	33.1	32.9	- 0.6	0
Paper & Allied Products	16.6	16.7	16.7	- 0.6	- 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.6	7.7	8.0	- 1.3	- 5.0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.9	5.9	5.7	0	+ 3.5
Printing & Publishing	16.6	16.8	16.6	- 1.2	0
Newspapers	3.7	3.7	3.6	0	+ 2.8
Chemicals & Allied Products	24.6	24.3	24.5	+ 1.2	+ 0.4
Plastic Materials & Synthetics	9.1	8.9	8.9	+ 2.2	+ 2.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	24.1	24.1	25.1	0	- 4.0
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.8	3.5	- 2.6	+ 5.7

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2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products."

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ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/
May, 1986

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1986	April* 1986	May* 1985	May 1986	April* 1986	May* 1985	May 1986	April* 1986	May* 1985
MANUFACTURING	$304.97	$301.85	$283.92	40.5	40.3	39.0	$ 7.53	$ 7.49	$ 7.28
DURABLE GOODS	314.28	315.43	296.21	40.5	40.7	39.6	7.76	7.75	7.48
Lumber & Wood Products	268.96	264.55	254.29	41.0	40.7	40.3	6.56	6.50	6.31
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	271.99	268.16	254.12	42.3	41.9	40.4	6.43	6.40	6.29
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	287.73	278.07	284.12	39.2	39.0	40.3	7.34	7.13	7.05
Furniture & Fixtures	261.67	267.84	242.63	38.2	39.1	37.5	6.85	6.85	6.47
Household Furniture	259.46	267.34	239.84	38.1	39.2	37.3	6.81	6.82	6.43
Wood Household Furniture	252.06	255.42	238.46	39.2	39.6	38.4	6.43	6.45	6.21
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	336.52	345.56	326.76	41.7	42.4	42.0	8.07	8.15	7.78
Structural Clay Products	299.93	291.90	275.42	44.5	42.8	42.9	6.74	6.82	6.42
Primary Metal Industries	380.84	375.62	364.66	42.6	42.3	42.8	8.94	8.88	8.52
Fabricated Metal Products	324.82	331.30	322.29	40.2	40.6	40.9	8.03	8.16	7.88
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	346.09	343.99	341.55	41.3	41.0	41.5	8.38	8.39	8.23
Special Industry Machinery	326.83	321.58	313.94	40.3	40.4	40.3	8.11	7.96	7.82
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	372.16	364.88	330.79	42.1	41.7	39.1	8.84	8.75	8.46
Household Appliances	285.01	276.58	238.03	40.6	38.9	34.8	7.02	7.11	6.84
Transportation Equipment	357.01	360.82	353.22	42.3	42.6	41.9	8.44	8.47	8.43
NONDURABLE GOODS	298.89	292.80	275.60	40.5	40.0	38.6	7.38	7.32	7.14
Food & Kindred Products	271.55	267.58	261.60	39.7	39.7	40.0	6.84	6.74	6.54
Meat Products	220.80	218.31	213.89	38.2	38.1	38.4	5.78	5.73	5.57
Meat Packing	337.56	326.40	313.97	43.5	41.9	42.2	7.76	7.79	7.44
Dairy Products	298.14	301.44	305.44	44.3	44.2	46.0	6.73	6.82	6.64
Grain Mill Products	305.86	315.49	299.98	41.5	43.1	43.1	7.37	7.32	6.96
Bakery Products	298.91	297.25	298.39	41.4	41.4	41.5	7.22	7.18	7.19
Beverages	573.50	520.15	509.15	46.4	43.6	45.5	12.36	11.93	11.19
Tobacco Manufacturers	573.27	499.50	473.24	38.5	35.3	34.9	14.89	14.15	13.56
Cigarettes	613.04	534.63	502.16	38.8	35.5	34.8	15.80	15.06	14.43
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	215.21	200.03	199.64	34.6	31.7	34.6	6.22	6.31	5.77
Textile Mill Products	272.41	269.53	247.30	41.4	40.9	38.4	6.58	6.59	6.44
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	300.21	294.59	261.72	40.9	40.3	36.4	7.34	7.31	7.19
Weaving Mills, Cotton	298.00	302.19	259.51	40.0	40.4	35.5	7.45	7.48	7.31
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	302.52	285.11	264.13	41.9	40.1	37.5	7.22	7.11	7.07
Knitting Mills	246.83	246.18	227.62	40.2	39.9	38.0	6.14	6.17	5.99
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	234.00	235.98	229.32	39.0	39.2	39.0	6.00	6.02	5.88
Hosiery, NEC	234.52	225.52	204.03	38.7	37.4	35.3	6.06	6.03	5.78
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	275.33	281.11	254.13	42.1	42.4	39.4	6.54	6.63	6.45
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	314.62	317.62	279.54	46.2	46.3	42.1	6.81	6.86	6.64
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	275.40	278.80	276.89	40.5	41.0	40.9	6.80	6.80	6.77
Yarn & Thread Mills	279.44	275.63	246.80	43.8	43.0	40.0	6.38	6.41	4.17
Apparel & Other Textile Products	198.22	197.63	190.36	37.9	37.5	37.1	5.23	5.27	5.13
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	198.06	205.25	187.43	37.3	37.8	35.7	5.31	5.43	5.25
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	185.71	182.65	183.44	37.9	37.2	37.9	4.90	4.91	4.84
Paper & Allied Products	501.67	500.20	468.10	44.2	43.8	42.4	11.35	11.42	11.04
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	650.13	660.10	586.28	45.4	46.0	43.3	14.32	14.35	13.54
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	366.68	351.96	338.52	43.6	42.0	42.0	8.41	8.38	8.06
Printing & Publishing	346.87	337.45	317.07	40.1	39.7	39.0	8.65	8.50	8.13
Newspapers	267.81	270.27	283.85	32.9	32.8	34.7	8.14	8.24	8.18
Chemicals & Allied Products	408.93	415.39	391.35	41.6	42.3	41.5	9.83	9.82	9.43
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	462.44	463.86	459.36	42.7	42.4	43.5	10.83	10.94	10.56
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	381.30	369.56	354.24	41.0	40.7	40.3	9.30	9.08	8.79
MINING	399.36	391.88	376.04	47.6	47.5	47.3	8.39	8.25	7.95
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	485.89	490.98	467.41	41.6	42.0	41.4	11.68	11.69	11.29
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	203.10	204.02	197.73	32.6	32.8	32.9	6.23	6.22	6.01
Wholesale Trade	323.93	322.36	301.78	39.6	39.7	39.5	8.18	8.12	7.64
Retail Trade	169.77	170.88	168.87	30.7	30.9	31.1	5.53	5.53	5.43
General Merchandise Stores	159.29	159.29	154.28	28.7	28.7	29.0	5.55	5.55	5.32
Food Stores	186.30	186.37	188.35	32.4	32.3	32.7	5.75	5.77	5.76
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	141.37	142.76	135.30	30.6	30.7	30.2	4.62	4.65	4.48
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	194.86	195.80	197.62	35.3	35.6	36.8	5.52	5.50	5.37

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2/ Information not available.
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